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Mr. Jack Gerrie
Chairman
National Security Resources Board
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Gerrie:

General Smith has requested me to answer your letter dated February 20, 1952, requesting designation of a CIA representative to meet with you on the question of continuation of testimony to be given on behalf of the President's recommendations for security of the Nation's capital.

Mr. Walter Pforzheimer, legislative counsel for CIA, is designated as CIA's representative for this purpose.

Sincerely,

Robert L. Bunker
ROBERT L. BUNKER
Deputy Director/Intelligence

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February 20, 1952

General Walter B. Smith
Director, Central Intelligence Agency
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear General Smith:

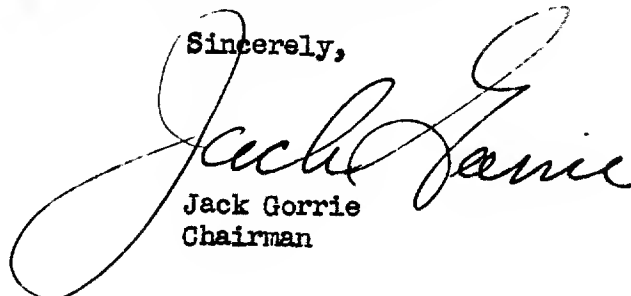
In accordance with the President's request to the Congress, I am preparing for hearings before the Public Works Committees of the Senate and the House with respect to S.218, "To authorize a program to provide for the construction of Federal buildings outside of, but in the vicinity of, and accessible to the District of Columbia, and for other purposes", and other similar legislation.

An essential basis of testimony in support of a dispersal program is agreement upon the threat, enemy capability and the optimum distance between targets which otherwise might be attractive for atom bomb delivery with respect to the District of Columbia and vicinity.

Your advice on this problem is essential to the success of the program. I should, therefore, appreciate it if you would designate a member of your organization familiar with your views to consult with me on the question of coordination of testimony to be given on behalf of the President's recommendations for security of the nation's capital. The hearings may be held early in March.

I am sending identical letters to the Secretary of Defense and the Chairman of the Atomic Energy Commission.

Sincerely,



Jack Gorrie
Chairman

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